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### Agency Information

*(Carefully read the instructions before completing this form)*

#### 1. Agency Information

- a. Agency Name USFS - Lassen National Forest
- b. Organizational Unit Lassen National Forest
- c. Address 2550 Riverside Drive
- e. City Susanville State CA Zip 96130
- f. Federal Id Number 11-0506500 DUNS Number
- g. Agency fiscal year (beginning month and day) October-01
- h. Agency Type (Please check one)
- ☐ City ☐ County ☒ U.S. Forest Service
- ☐ U.S. Forest Service - Patrol District ☐ U.S. Bureau of Land Management ☐ Other Federal Agency
- ☐ Federally Recognized Native American Tribe ☐ Educational Institution ☐ Nonprofit Organization - 501(c)(3) status only
- ☐ State Agency ☐ District

#### 2. Project Information

- a. Project Name General Application Requirements
- b. Is implementing agency same as Agency (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- c. Implementing Agency Name
- d. Amount of Funds Requested Project Cost

#### Project Request(s) Summary

#	Project Type	Project Title	Grant Request	Match	Total Project Cost
1	G08-02-08-G01	Ground Operations - High Lakes OHV Area Recreation Site Management	55,000	140,000	195,000
2	G08-02-08-P01	Planning - Potato Buttes OHV Area Management Plan	240,000	85,000	325,000
3		TOTAL	295,000	225,000	520,000

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**3. Contact**

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**A. Location Map**

Attachments:

[USFS, LNF Location Map](#)

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**A. Equipment Inventory**

Has your agency purchased any Equipment with OHV Trust Funds within the last five (5) years? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

#	Item Description	Make	Model	Model Year	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) or Serial Number	Project Agreement Number
1	Arctic Cat	Snowmobile	4 Stroke	2004	4UF04SNW34T132857	OR
2	Snowmobile	Polaris	700 RMKS	2006	SN1PK7HS56C639308	OR-2-LA-88
3	Snowmobile	Polaris	700 RMKS	2006	SN1PK7HS16C639306	OR-2-LA-88
4	Snowmobile	Polaris	600 RMKS	2006	SN1PK6FS36C610385	OR-2-LA-88
5	Snowmobile	Polaris	600 HO	2008	SN1PR6HS78C348883	OR-2-LA-87
6	Snowmobile	Polaris	600 HO	2008	SN1PR6HS58C348882	OR-2-LA-87

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**PART 1 - ITEM 1. DETERMINE THE NEED FOR FULL FULL HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP)**

**All Applicants submitting Projects involving Ground Disturbing Activities are subject to HMP requirements. The HMP must cover the combined Project Area of all proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities.**

**Applicants able to certify that none of the proposed activities listed in the Application in areas open to legal OHV Recreation contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit only HMP Part 1. Applicants who cannot certify that the proposed activities listed in the Application in areas open to legal OHV Recreation do not contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit HMP Parts 1 and 2.**

1. Do any of your proposed projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? (Please select ☒ Yes ☐ No Yes or No)
2. Can the Applicant certify that none of the proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities in areas open to legal OHV Recreation contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats? (If you checked 'Yes', you are done with HMP) (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

**PART 2 - RISK ANALYSIS, MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND REPORTING**

**PART 2 - Section I. Summary of HMP Changes**

Has the Applicant previously submitted a HMP Part 2 that is currently in use in the proposed Project Area? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Table 1 - Summary of HMP Changes**

Changes from Previous Year	Section Where Change Occurs
No changes from previous year	Not Applicable

**PART 2 - Section II - Special Status Species**

**Table 2 - Table of All Special-Status Species and Any Other Species of Local Concern That Were Considered for Inclusion in the HMP**

Species	Listing Status	Habitat	Potential for Occurrence	Addressed by HMP? If not explain why?
Slender orcutt grass <i>Orcuttia tenuis</i>	FT, SE, CNPS 1B	Vernal pools, or vernal pool like drainage edges usually in oak and/or pine woodlands.	No potential for occurrence within Project Area	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

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Suksdorf's milk-vetch ( <i>Astragalus pulsiferae suksdorfii</i> )	FSS, CNPS 1B	Sandy volcanic soil in sagebrush and open pine.	Present. Occurrences are found within the Ashpan and Bogard OSV routes and play areas.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Western goblin ( <i>Botrychium montanum</i> )	FSS, CNPS 2	Shady coniferous forests near streams, and wet areas	Present. Only occurrences are found along or near the Jonesville OSV route	NO. No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Upswept moonwort ( <i>Botrychium ascendens</i> )	FSS, CNPS 2	Moist meadows and shady coniferous forests along streams.	Present. Occurrences are found along or near the Jonesville OSV route.	NO. No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Scalloped moonwort ( <i>Botrychium ascendens</i> )	FSS, CNPS 2	Wet meadows, bogs and along streams	Present. Only occurrence is found along or near the Jonesville OSV route	NO.No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Moss ( <i>Meesia triquetra</i> )	FSS, CNPS 2	Sloping wetlands, fens and bogs	Present. Occurrence is adjacent to an the Jonesville OSV route	NO. No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Barron's buckwheat ( <i>Eriogonum spectabile</i> )	FSS (proposed)	Open areas in glaciated minor ridges in red fir and lodgepole.	Present. Occurrence is very near the Swain Mountain OSV route on an open ridge top.	NO - OSV Monitoring Completed in 2004/2005 determined no adverse effects.
Columbia yellow cress ( <i>Rorippa columbiae</i> )	FSS, CNPS 1B	Playas	Present. Occurrence is within the Bogard OSV play area.	NO - OSV Monitoring Completed in 2004/2005 determined no adverse effects.

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Long-stiped campion ( <i>Silene occidentalis longistipitata</i> )	FSS, CNPS 1B	Openings in chaparral, yellow pine or mixed conifer	Present. Occurrences are found near Morgan Summit OSV route.	NO. No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
White-stemmed <i>Clarkia</i> White-stemmed <i>Clarkia</i>	FSS, CNPS 1B	Chaparral, or cismontane woodlands in gravelly soils.	Present. One location found on the roadside within the Front Country OHV route.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle ( <i>Desmocercus californicus dimorphus</i> )	FT	Elderberry stands in riparian corridors below 3,000 ft	There are no OHV routes or facilities located near suitable habitat for this species.	NO, No suitable habitats near OHV or OSV activities.
Eagle Lake Rainbow Trout ( <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss aquilarum</i> )	FSSS, CSSC	Pine Creek watershed, Eagle Lake	Pine Creek watershed, Eagle Lake	YES, for Pine Creek Restoration Project only.
Central Valley Winter-run Steelhead( <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> )	FT, ESU, CSSC	Deer, Mill, and Antelope Creeks	Fish spawn between January and March, which can extend into June. Present off Discovery Trail near Black Rock campground, Transfer bridge and Ishi Wilderness	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Central Valley Spring-run Chinook salmon ( <i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i> )	FT, ST	Deer, Mill, and Antelope Creeks	Fish spawn between January and March, which can extend into June. Present off Discovery Trail near Black Rock campground, Transfer bridge and Ishi Wilderness	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
CA Red-legged Frog ( <i>Rana aurora draytonii</i> )	FT, CSSC	Still or slow water with emergent vegetation Below 4500 feet elev.	No occurrences have been found on the Lassen NF.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

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Foothill Yellow-legged Frog ( <i>Rana boylei</i> )	FSS, CSSC	Sierran foothills with slow flowing water with some shading (>20%) in riparian habitats.	Present: Several known occupied aquatic habitats on west side of Forest.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Cascade Frog ( <i>Rana cascadae</i> )	FSS, CSSC	Mountain streams, ponds, and lakes with sufficient depth adequate for overwintering, above 4,500 ft elevation.	Present: Several known occupied aquatic habitats on west side of Forest.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Northwestern Pond Turtle( <i>Clemmys marmorata</i> Marmorata)	FSS, CSSC	Slow moving streams, small lakes and ponds.	Surveys have determined the range of this species on the Lassen NF, and it does not occur near OHV routes or facilities.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Northern Goshawk ( <i>Accipiter gentilis</i> )	FSS, CSSC, FSMIS	Mature forests, relatively dense canopy cover (>40% foraging and >70% nesting habitat) and open understory.	There is suitable nest and forage habitat near OHV routes on the Lassen National Forest.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Swainson's Hawk ( <i>Buteo swainsonii</i> )	FSS, ST	Open grasslands with scattered trees or shrubs, valley oak savannas or agricultural fields.	There is no suitable habitat near OHV routes or facilities on the Lassen NF.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Bald Eagle ( <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i> )	FT, SE, FSMIS	Mature forests near lakes or rivers.	Forage on larger lakes & nest near Lake Almanor, Eagle Lake, & Lake Britton. Incidental occurrences throughout the forest.	YES, Addressed for Pine Creek Restoration Project (2007/2008).
Peregrine Falcon ( <i>Falco peregrines</i> )	FSS, SE, FSMIS	High cliffs for nesting, and open or edge areas for foraging.	No potential for occurrence within Project Area.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

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Greater Sandhill Crane ( <i>Grus Canadensis tabida</i> )	FSS, ST	Greater Sandhill Crane Large wet meadows that are interspersed with wetlands.	Preferred riparian meadow habitats are protected areas. OHV routes do not pass through these suitable habitats.	NO, No known occurrences within Project.
Great Gray Owl ( <i>Strix nebulosa</i> )	FSS, SE	Mature forests adjacent to relatively large meadow openings.	These owls are not likely to occur near OHV/OSV routes or facilities on the Lassen NF.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
California Spotted Owl ( <i>Strix occidentalis Occidentalis</i> )	FSS, CSSC, FSMIS	Mature forests with substantial snags and down woody debris. Nesting habitat contains >70% canopy closure; forage habitat >40%.	There is suitable nest and forage habitat near OHV/OSV routes on the Lassen National Forest.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Willow Flycatcher( <i>Empidonax traillii</i> )	FSS, SE	Relatively large willow/alder stands with relatively tall/dense grass cover in meadow and riparian habitats.	Preferred riparian meadow habitats are protected areas. OHV routes do not pass through these suitable habitats.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Pallid Bat ( <i>Antrozous pallidus</i> )	FSS, CSSC	Rocky crevices, rock overhangs, tree cavities, mines, caves, bridges or buildings for roosts, and open habitat for foraging.	NPotential for occurrence within Project Area.	NO, No suitable roosting habitat within area where work is proposed.
Townsend's Western Big-eared Bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii townsendii</i> )	FSS, CSSC	Caves or mines for roosts. Many habitats are used for foraging including open grasslands and mixed conifer forests.	Potential for occurrence within Project Area	NO, No suitable roosting habitat within area where work is proposed.
Western Red Bat ( <i>Lasiurus blossevillei</i> )	FSS	Hardwood forests and riparian corridors below 3,000 ft.	No potential for occurrence within Project Area.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

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Sierra Nevada Red Fox ( <i>Vulpes vulpes necator</i> )	FSS, ST	Species is a habitat generalist generally occurring above 6,000 ft. in the warmer/drier months, but down to 4,000 ft. in colder/wetter months	Red foxes have been detected during winter carnivore surveys along OSV routes	NO, No known occurrences within Project.
California Wolverine ( <i>Gulo gulo luteus</i> )	FSS, ST	Sparsely inhabited wilderness conifer forests with an adequate year-round food supply	There are no recent sightings of this species, and carnivore surveys, which have included over 8,000 photographic bait station days, have not detected this species on the Lassen NF	NO, Regional carnivore monitoring at Sierran bioregion scale. Very rare occurrences on Lassen NF.
American Marten ( <i>Martes Americana</i> )	FSS, FSMIS	Mature forest habitats with a high number of large snags and down logs, small (<1 acre) openings that have good ground cover for foraging, and are near or connected by dense riparian corridors for movement.	No potential for occurrence within Project Area.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Pacific Fisher	FSS, CSSC, FSMIS	Mature forest habitats with a vertical and horizontal structural complexity created by a diversity of tree sizes and shapes, light gaps, a high number of large snags and downed logs, and layers of overhead cover.	No potential for occurrence within Project Area.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Great Basin Ramshorn ( <i>Helisoma newberryi newberryi</i> )	FSS	Larger lakes, large, slower rivers, large spring sources and spring-fed creeks; with cold, highly oxygenated water, mud substrate, and slow water velocities.	Several known occupied sites in Eagle Lake,	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Playa Phacelia ( <i>Phacelia inundata</i> )	FFS, CNPS 1B	Alkaline lakes shorelines and ephemeral lake margins.	Found along several miles of Eagle Lake shoreline.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

Ephemeral monkey flower (Mimulus evanescens)	FSS, CNPS 1B	This species occurs in well drained soils and gravels of lake shores, ephemeral creek bottoms and seasonal wetlands.	Species is present in ephemeral portions of Pine Creek drainage.	NO, No suitable habitat or known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.
Montane Peaclam (Cyclocalyx ultramontanum)	FSS	Spring-influenced rivers, streams, lakes, and spring pools with sand or gravel substrate.	Assumed to occupy sites in Eagle Lake. No occurrences have been located to date.	NO, No known occurrences have been documented within area where work is proposed.

**PART 2 - Section III - Map(s) of Project Area**

Attachments:

[HMP maps are on file](#)

**PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat**

**PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 3**

**Table 3 - Data (Including Baseline Data) and Management Program for Species and/or Sensitive Habitats**

Species/Habitat	Known Information	Methodology	Concerns / Risks / Uncertainties	Management Objective(s)	Management Action(s)	Success Criteria

**PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 4**

**Table 4: Summary of HMP Monitoring Program**

Species/Habitat	Change Detection Methodology	Effectiveness Monitoring Methodology, Including Triggers	Identify Any Applicable Validation Monitoring (Focused Studies)

**PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 5**

**Table 5. Management Review and Response; Adaptive Management**

Monitoring Methodology	How Monitoring Information Will Inform Management	How Data Will Be Analyzed	Management Response to Identified Triggers	Who Will Plan Management Response

**PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results**

**PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 6**

**Table 6: Previous Year's Monitoring Results**

Monitoring Accomplishments	Results	Were Objectives and Success Criteria Achieved?
Project has yet to be implemented, so monitoring has not been conducted for the Pine Creek Restoration Project	None	delayed, scheduled for implementation in 2009

**PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 7**

**Table 7: Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results**

Management Actions	Species/ Habitat	Date Completed or Planned - mm/dd/yyyy	Changes Needed to HMP
none	none	01/01/2009	none

**PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 8**

**Table 8 Management Actions Taken in Response to HMP-related Public Concerns**

Concern Raised by Public	Actions Taken to Address the Concern
none	none

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**A. Soil Conservation**

- a. Do any of your proposed projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

**B. Soil Conservation Plan**

Attachments:

[Soil Conservation Plan](#)

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**A. Public Notification Efforts**

Check all that apply: (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Notice to interested Parties/Groups (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format)
- ☒ Published on Applicant's Website (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format) [03/03/2009]
- ☒ Published in Newspaper
- ☒ News Release Issued
- ☐ Public Meeting(s) Hearing(s) Held

**B. Public Comments**

This proposal received a total of 6 comments from five individuals/groups. The High Lakes OHV Area - Ground Operations Project received 3 comments, the Potato Buttes OHV Area Planning project received 2 comments, and one letter discussed both projects.

For the High Lakes OHV Area Ground Operations Project, three of the comments were letters of general support for the project and the activities included in the project. One of the letters asked specific questions related to the status of the Management Strategy for the Area, this letter also questioned the need to identify a re-route into Saddle Lake and indicated that access to this and other lakes should remain closed.

For the Potato Buttes OHV Area Planning Project, two of the comments were in general support for this project. One of the letters requested that specific issues/items be considered during the planning process.

**C. Application Development as a result of Public Comments**

- a. Were changes made to the Application as a result of public comments? (Please select ☒ Yes ☐ No Yes or No)

- b. Describe how public comments affected the Application

The project description was changed to clarify that the High Lakes OHV Area - Ground Operations project proposes only to identify possible re-routes in to the Saddle Lake Area. Project specific NEPA would need to be completed prior to implementing a re-route, and would consider the environmental effects of and alternatives to the proposed action.

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## 1. Applicant Certifications

### A. General Conditions

- A. The Applicant hereby certifies, under the penalty of perjury, compliance with the following ☒ terms and conditions:
1. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees to monitor the condition of soils and wildlife in the Project Area each year in order to determine whether the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to Public Resource Code (PRC), Section 5090.35 and the HMP prepared pursuant to Section 5090.53(a) are being met.
  2. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion, to repair and prevent accelerated erosion, until the same soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is met.
  3. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion until the same HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is met.
  4. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of off-highway motor vehicles and the other provisions of Division 16.5 (commencing with Section 38000) of the Vehicle Code and to enforce the other applicable laws regarding the operation of off-highway motor vehicles.
  5. The Applicant agrees to cooperate with appropriate law enforcement entities to provide proper law enforcement at and around the Facility.
  6. The Applicant's Project is in accordance with local or federal plans and the strategic plan for OHV Recreation prepared by the OHMVR Division.

### B. Programmatic Conditions

#### B. The Applicant must describe the following programmatic conditions:

1. Identify the potential for the facility to reduce illegal and unauthorized OHV Recreation activities in the surrounding areas:

This project proposes to maintain existing OHV opportunity in the High Lakes OHV Area and to plan for sustaining the opportunities in the Potato Butte area. Our plan is to reduce the need for unauthorized OHV Recreation by sustaining interesting and relevant authorized OHV Recreation activities for the public. We think that the combination of varied and ample authorized OHV opportunity, outreach and education of OHV users through public contacts, and consistent enforcement actions to reduce illegal/unauthorized OHV use will reduce illegal activity in surrounding areas. By providing information kiosks, accurate maps showing restrictions, LE patrols, maintaining a volunteer cadre with user groups, OHV Area management plans, signing, maintaining and constructing barriers to enforce closures.

2. Describe how the Applicant is meeting the operations and maintenance needs of any existing OHV Recreation Facility under its jurisdiction:

The Lassen national Forest is using a combination of federal appropriated funds along with OHV grant funds to maintaining restroom facilities (weekly maint.), providing snow removal, building maintenance (painting, cleaning, signing), removing hazard trees adjacent to facilities, implementing challenge cost share agreements with user groups for weekly maintenance, LE patrols, repaving, striping, and fog sealing of parking areas.

### C. Fee Collection

Describe how fees collected pursuant to Section 38230 of the Vehicle Code (in-lieu funds) are utilized and whether the fees complement the Applicant's proposed Project:

**D. Compliance with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C)**

Projects within the O&M category that affect lands identified as inventoried roadless areas by the U.S. Forest Service, are compliant with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C). (Please select Yes or No)

☒ Yes ☐ No

**2. Governing Body Resolution**

**3. Land Manager Authorization**

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## 1. OHV Visitor Opportunity Summary

### 1 OHV Visitor Opportunity Summary

- a. Does the land manager agency provide legal OHV riding opportunity? (Please select ☒ Yes ☐ No Yes or No)

Starting (Month/Year) 10/2007 Ending (Month/Year) 09/2008

- b. Off-Highway Vehicle Opportunity Ratio (OHV Ratio) opportunity
- i. Months of OHV Opportunity (OHV Months) 12
- ii. Total Miles Of Routes Available For OHV Recreation 2600
- iii. Total Acres Of Open Riding Available For OHV Recreation 26
- iv. OHV Visitation (visitor days) 169409
- v. Ratio of OHV Visitation/OHV Opportunity 64.51

### 1 OHV Visitor Opportunity Summary (2)

- c. Reference Document that support the responses to a. and b. on previous page  
 Lassen National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (1992).  
 National Visitor Monitoring Results... (9/2006), on file at Forest Headquarters.  
 Forest Service INFRA Roads database (2008), USDA Forest Service Database.
- d. Visitor Opportunity Ratio (V/O Ratio) = OHV Ratio x OHV Months / 12 64.51  
 Visitor Opportunity Ratio (V/O Ratio) Score 3

## 2. Quality of OHV Opportunity

Land Manager's OHV program 10

Check all that apply (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Map with OHV Recreation opportunities clearly shown is available for distribution at no cost (2 points)
- ☒ Map with OHV Recreation opportunities clearly shown is available on the Land Manager's website (2 points)
- ☐ Map indicates relative difficulty of each OHV trail (2 points)
- ☒ Map indicates appropriate OHV use type (ATV, dirt bike, 4x4, OSV, etc.) (2 points)
- ☒ At least fifty percent of the staging areas include support facilities (restrooms, picnic tables, trash cans, shade structures) (2 points)
- ☒ Majority of trail intersections are signed with information such as: trail names, directional signs, relative difficulty, mileage to next feature (2 points)

## 3. Variety of OHV Opportunity

- a. Skill levels (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced) indicated by publicly available maps or signage marking trails with relative difficulty 1

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 3 or more skill levels (5 points) ☐ 2 skill levels (3 points)
- ☒ 1 skill level (1 point) ☐ Land Manager has no legal OHV riding opportunity (No points)

- b. Type of OHV Opportunity (ATV, dirt bike, 4x4, OSV, RUV, Sand Rail/Dune Buggy) 6

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Opportunities for 3 or more vehicle types (6 points)    ☐ Opportunities for 2 vehicle types (3 points)  
☐ Opportunity for only 1 vehicle type (1 point)    ☐ Land Manager has no legal OHV riding opportunity (No points)

#### 4. Agency Contribution

Cost of OHV Program for Land Manager's most recent complete fiscal year (not to include cost of indirect overhead): 665000

% Funded by OHV Trust Fund (do not include in-lieu funds): 1

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ No OHV Trust Funds were used (6 points)  
☐ 10% or less of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (4 points)  
☐ 11% to 25% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (3 points)  
☒ 26% to 50% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (1 point)  
☐ More than 50% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (No points)

Reference Document

USDA Forest Service Performance Accountability System (PAS), Transaction Register Obligations Reports. Total OHV Trust Funds expended in Fiscal Year 2008 were approximately \$280,000. Total cost of the OHV program on the Lassen National Forest, including Travel Management Planning was approximately \$665,000

#### 5. Project Performance

For Applicant's OHV grant Projects which reached the end of the Project performance period within the last two years, the percentage of all deliverables accomplished 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 100% of Deliverable accomplished (5 points)  
☒ 75% to 99% of Deliverables accomplished (3 points)  
☐ Less than 75% of Deliverables accomplished (No points)  
☐ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)

#### 6. Previous Year Performance

In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit. 3

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- ☒ In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit (3 points)  
☐ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)  
☐ In the previous year the Applicant has not been responsive (No points)

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass

##### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Fence (Page 1)

- a. Is site a completely fenced facility such that OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas is prevented? 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ No (answer items b and c)    ☐ Yes (10 points, explain and then skip to item 8)

Explain 'Yes' response:

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Patrol (Page 2)

- b. The majority of OHV Opportunity areas are patrolled (Check the one most appropriate) 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ At least 5 days per week (5 points)  
☐ At least once per week (3 points)  
☐ At least once per month (1 point)  
☐ Less than once per month (No points)

Explain patrol efforts (e.g., frequency of patrol, patrol personnel, percent of lands covered by patrols)

OHV opportunity areas are conducted by Law Enforcement Officers (7 employees), who provide 7 day a week coverage for the entire Lassen National Forest. In addition Forest Protection Officers (9 employees) patrol the forest 7 days a week covering roaded areas on a rotating basis. We are also working in partnership with The Friends of the High Lakes, who are providing volunteer patrols for the High Lakes OHV area. Last year, 26 volunteer patrols provided 2,933 hours of patrol time. In addition, Recreation Technicians (a total of 4 employees) provide periodic coverage for the OHV areas, predominately during high use periods such as weekends and holidays, and on scheduled volunteer work days.

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Measures (Page 3)

- c. Measures to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas 5

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Barriers and/or signing are used to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas (3 points)  
☒ Education programs, maps and/or brochures provided to the public address OHV trespass, including respect for private property (2 points)

Explain measures utilized to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas

"Entering" and "Leaving" the Lassen National Forest signs are posted along main motorized routes. National Forest Lands signs are posted along private property lines to differentiate public from private lands. A free map of Motorized Vehicle Restrictions is available at all LNF offices, this map indicates LNF lands and facilities and Non-Forest Service Land.

#### 8. OHV Education

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- a. Education materials available onsite 10

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Free literature is provided to visitors describing safe and responsible OHV recreational practices (5 points)  
☒ Bulletin boards, signs or kiosks, at the majority of staging areas, trailheads, or other areas where the public gathers provide information concerning safe and responsible OHV Recreation (5 points)

- b. Applicant or Land Manager provides formal programs, educational talks, school field trips, etc. to the public to educate them on safe and responsible OHV recreational practices: 1

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 50 or more per year (3 points) ☐ 20 to 49 times per year (2 points)  
☒ 5 to 19 times per year (1 point) ☐ Less than 5 times per year (No points)

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- c. When Facility is open, staff are available at trailheads, visitor centers and/or entrance stations to provide information on safe and responsible OHV use 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Daily (5 points) ☐ On all weekends (4 points)  
☐ On the majority of weekends (2 points) ☐ On major holidays (1 points)  
☐ None of the above (No points)

- d. ATV Safety Institute and/or Motorcycle Safety Foundation approved training courses are offered 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Weekly (3 points) ☐ Monthly (1 point)  
☒ Less frequently than monthly (No points)

Describe Land Manager's onsite education efforts:

LNF does not offer training courses for the general public, Forest Service employees are required to complete ATV training, including periodic refresher courses.

## 9. Website

- a. OHV outreach efforts are accomplished through the Land Manager's website 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ No (skip to question 10) ☒ Yes (provide URL address and answer item b)

Provide URL address <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/lassen/>

- b. The Land Manager's website contains the following items 5

(Check all that apply) - Scoring: 1 point each up to a maximum of 5 points. (Please select applicable values)

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Map to location                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hours of operation  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety information       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visitor facilities                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contact information | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> News releases            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information on responsible riding | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Map of Facilities   | <input type="checkbox"/> Fee schedule                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seasonal restrictions             | <input type="checkbox"/> Link to Division Website       | <input type="checkbox"/> Law enforcement contact information |

## 10. OHV Outreach

Check all forms of OHV outreach the Applicant utilizes: 3

Scoring: 1 point each up to a maximum of 3 points. (Please select applicable values)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Billboards  | <input type="checkbox"/> CDs and/or DVDs          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community meetings                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> OHV dealers              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fairs  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> News releases |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) [Outdoor Education with local schools] | <input type="checkbox"/> Television               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parades   | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs at schools   |   |

## 11. Natural and Cultural Resources

### 11. Natural and Cultural Resources - Page 1

- a. Is the Land Manager's OHV area a completely fenced track facility with little or no native vegetation? 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☒ No (answer item b)

☐ Yes (5 points, explain and then skip to item 12)

Explain 'Yes' response

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### b. Resource Management Information System 5

Does the Land Manager maintain a management information system managed by qualified environmental staff that identifies and monitors the impacts of the OHV activity and contains at least the following:

- Ongoing survey/inventory of species
- Ongoing survey/inventory of archeological sites
- Biological monitoring that measures changes in populations
- Components that evaluate the effects of OHV recreation and related activity on the species;
- Recommendations for improvement in species management
- Strategies to respond to changing conditions that affect the survival or reproduction of species? (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (5 points)

Reference Document

Lassen National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP, 1992) as amended.  
Regional Marten Focused Study (Study plan on file with the OHMVR Division), Final Report dated March 14, 2007.  
Regional Northern Goshawk Focused Study (on file with the OHMVR Division), Final Report Pending.  
Regional Northern Spotted Owl Focused Study and Vertebrate Assemblage Focused Study.  
Pacific Southwest Region OHV/OSV Wildlife & Plant Monitoring.  
Lassen National Forest Section 106 Certification Heritage Resources, First Amended Regional Programmatic Agreement for Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for Undertakings on the National Forests of the Pacific Southwest Region (2001) (RPA).

## 12. Soil Management

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#### a. Land Manager has developed a systematic methodology for evaluating soil conditions of its OHV Opportunities? 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (5 points)

Explain 'Yes' response Best Management Practices Evaluation Protocol

#### b. Land Manager has developed methods to address soil issues? 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (5 points)

Explain 'Yes' response Areas identified as not meeting BMP requirements, or determined to have a soil condition rating other than green are identified for maintenance, repair, restoration, or closure.

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#### c. Land Manager performs soil monitoring 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ Monthly (3 points)

☐ After major rain events (2 points)

☒ Annually (No points)

**13. Sound Level Testing**

The Applicant or Land Manager conducts, or causes to be conducted, sound level testing 0

(Check only one if applicable) (Please select one from list)

☐ On most (50% or more) holidays and weekends (4 points)

☐ At least 25% but less than 50% of holidays and weekends (2 points)

☒ Less than 25% of holidays and weekends (No points)

Describe the sound testing program

Not applicable, applicant does not conduct sound testing.